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## Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests Thunder Basin National Grassland

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### **Illinois Creek Fire 65% contained**

(Laramie, Wyo.) Sept. 9, 2010 (1 p.m.) – The Illinois Creek Fire remains at about 112 acres and is 65% contained. The fire is four miles west of Fox Park, which is about 37 miles from Laramie Wyoming, on the Medicine Bow National Forest.

Forest Service Fire Management Officer Vern Bentley said 100 firefighters, three dozers, fire engines and aircraft are containing the fire and mopping up. Strong winds today are causing crews be extra vigilant due to the dangers of falling trees.

The Albany County Sheriff's Office lifted the evacuation order for Fox Borough Subdivision, but Forest Road 512 is still closed. No structures were burned.

The management strategy is full suppression of the fire, which is burning in dead lodgepole pine.

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